the Government direct that at least hereafter a minimum number of Headmasters should be selected from out of the Local Board Teachers? ''

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The qualification prescribed for the post is that only assistants who have put in ten years service can become headmasters. Here, there were only two persons, who had put in ten years' service. They were qualified to apply and they applied. But the committee found that they were not suitable for the job. So they were not selected.''

Increase of pay of karnams in shrotriyam villages.

* 71 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to increase the pay of village karnams in the shrotriyam villages?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Yes. The matter is under the consideration of the Government.''

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—" How long will the Government keep this matter under consideration? Why should there be difference in respect of pay between the karnams in the inam and shrotriyam villages when both do the same kind of work? ''

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, everything short of a final decision is in Government's language considered to be " under consideration of Government " including very important decisions.''

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN :—" May I know, Sir, whether there is any proposal before Government to bring in a comprehensive piece of legislation to bring all these village officers in Inam, Ryotwari and Zamindari villages on an equal level with regard to their status, pay, etc.''

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" An elaborate legislation for this purpose is not necessary. Only if we increase the pay scales, the village officer in a shrotriyam village comes on a par with others.''

SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" Apart from giving increments in pay, will the Government be pleased to supply them with stationery like paper and pencils, as they make a very great grievance of it? ''

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" When the case of the ryotwari village officers is considered, the case of these officers also will be considered.''

Labour organizations recognized by Government.

* 72 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state what are the Provincial Labour Organizations recognized by the Government for the purpose 10–20 a.m.

of giving representation to such organizations in Tripartite Committees, Regional Committees under the Employees' State Insurance Act and such other Committees?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" No recognition has been specifically accorded by the Government to any particular labour organization or organizations for the purpose mentioned in the question. Representatives are ordinarily chosen from such principal organizations as The Indian National Trade Union Congress, The All India Trade Union Congress and the Hind Mazdoor Sabha, when the employees' interests are to be represented in Committees, as many Trade Unions are affiliated to one or other of these organizations. Nomination of persons on a Committee is made also with reference to the purpose for which the Committee is constituted."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" இந்திய தேசிய தொழிற்சங்க காங்கிரஸ், அகில இந்திய தொழிற்சங்க காங்கிரஸ், ஹிந்த மஜ்தூர் சபைபோன்ற சங்கங்களின் பிரதிநிதிகளை நாங்கள் தேவைப்படும்போது இந்தக் கமிட்டிகளில் சேர்த்துக் கொள்வோம்" என்று மந்திரி அவர்கள் சொன்னார்கள். சமீபத்தில் ஏற்படுத்தப்பட்ட **Regional committees (under the Employees State Insurance Act)** களில் அகில இந்திய தொழிற்சங்க காங்கிரஸ் பிரதிநிதிகளோ, தமிழ்நாட்டு தொழிற்சங்க காங்கிரஸ் பிரதிநிதிகளோ சேர்க்கப்படவில்லை. அதற்குக் காரணம் என்னவென்று மந்திரி அவர்கள் கூறுவார்களா ? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" As I said, we take into consideration the purpose for which the nomination is made. In the case referred to by the hon. Member, we nominated Mr. Chinnadorai of Coimbatore, a representative of the Hind Mazdoor Sabha. We propose to introduce the scheme in Madras and so Mr. S. C. C. Anthony Pillai, a member belonging to the Hind Mazdoor Sabha, has also been nominated."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" தமிழ்நாட்டு தொழிற்சங்க காங்கிரஸ் பிரதிநிதிகளை ஏன் சேர்த்துக்கொள்ளவில்லையென்று தான் நான் கேட்டேன். மற்றவர்களைச் சேர்த்துக்கொண்டதன் காரணத்தை நான் கேட்கவில்லை. தமிழ் நாட்டுத் தொழிற்சங்கப் பிரதிநிதிகள் நம்முடைய மாகாணத்தில் கிடையாதா ? சென்னையிலும், கோயமுத்தூர் போன்ற பல இடங்களிலும் இல்லையா ? அப்படியிருக்கும்போது, ஏன் அவர்களைச் சேர்த்துக்கொள்ளவில்லையென்று தான் நான் கேட்டேன்."

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" No discrimination was made against the All India Trade Union Congress. We have put representatives of the All India Trade Union Congress in many other reperesentative bodies. In one, we may be able to put their representative and in another we may not be able to put. There is no reason that can be ascribed, but want of seats may be the primary cause."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" கமிட்டிகளுக்கு நியமனம் செய்வதில் அந்தக் கமிட்டிகளுடைய காரியம்என்னவென்று கணக்கெடுத்துத் தான் பிரதிநிதிகளைப் பொறுக்கியெடுக்கிறோம் என்று சொன்னார்கள். அப்படியானால், இந்தக் கமிட்டி நியமித்ததில் அகில இந்திய தொழிற்சங்க

காங்கிரஸ் பிரதிநிதிகள் சேர்க்கப்படாமலிருக்கக்கூடிய நிலையில் என்ன காரியத்தை இந்தக் கமிட்டி செய்யப்போகிறது என்று மந்திரி அவர்கள் தெரியப்படுத்துவாரா ? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Obviously those chosen were better representatives than the representatives of the A.I.T.U.C. There can be no two opinions that the persons selected are very representative of the employees of the particular industry concerned in that particular area."

Price of sugarcane at Nellikuppam Sugar Factory.

* 73 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the **Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the cost of sugarcane per maund fixed by the Government for supply at Nellikuppam Sugar** factory, South Arcot district, during 1953–54?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" The Government of India have fixed the sugarcane price payable by the factories to growers during the 1953–54 season at Re. 1–7–0 per maund for gate deliveries and at Re. 1–5–0 per maund for delivery at railway centres. In addition to this it is expected that on the basis of a voluntary understanding between the factory and the growers, an additional price based on the percentage of recovery of sugar from cane in Nellikuppam area and on the sugar prices realized by the factory will be paid to the growers, after the requisite particulars are available."

Provision of drinking water and electricity for Ottapalam Panchayat area.

* 74 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the **Minister for Health be pleased to state whether the Government have arrived at a decision** regarding the provision of drinking water and electricity for Ottapalam Panchayat area, Malabar district?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" So far as provision of drinking water is concerned the matter is still under the consideration of the Government.

As regards electricity, it is hoped that the execution of the scheme sanctioned for the purpose may be commenced during 1954–55."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" While thanking the Government for allowing the extension of electricity even at this belated stage, to Ottapalam, may I request that, when the scheme is actually put into execution, the lines may be taken along the river bank so that they may also benefit agricultural operations? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" It is a request to the Government."

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" I hope that the suggestion will be considered by the Minister concerned."